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to remain whole, but it's my understanding that their wish to remain whole as a member of the 1st Congressional District. Since that time, my constituents in Saline County were able to gather their thoughts together and brought to me a proposal that makes rational sense from all of the rules that we have had in place for redistricting, particularly in the case of the congressional districts. You will see in the map in front of The matrix indicates a deviation of 256, which you two things. is functional zero and is achievable without going to the finest of measurement devices, which is a census block. The division in Saline County is, in fact, down a county road that divides precincts that are existing in the state of Nebraska...existing in that county today. More importantly, retains the community of interest that eastern Saline County has with Lancaster and Gage County in that this division contains the city of Crete with...with Doane College, with Alpo, with Crete Mills, with Farmland Industries, and with a school district that is almost entirely encompassed within territory of Lancaster County. Very little of the Saline (sic) School District is in fact in Saline County...of the Crete School District is in Saline County. Out in the lower two-thirds of the map is the county seat of Wilber, Nebraska. That is also a community for the Farmland pork producing plant, which lies between Crete and Wilber and has several thousand employees, many of whom travel from Lancaster and Gage County to Their school district also is Wilber-Clatonia. work there. Clatonia is across the line and most of their school district, while more of it is...a larger percentage is in Saline County, a great community of interest exists across those lines. And. finally, in the southeastern corner is the village of DeWitt, which is the home of Peterson Manufacturing Company, the Vise-Grip factory, which is now part of American Tool. American Tool has a...their main manufacturing plant is there. There's one in Beatrice and my understanding that their offices are in Lincoln. So you can see by the...by that analysis that this division of Saline County makes a lot more logical sense, follows our guidelines better than splitting Cedar County. order to make the numbers work, of course, we did have to also move Dixon County into the 3rd Congressional District, and in currently existing map Dixon County is in the 1st Congressional District. With that, Mr. President, I would move